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## Goggans introduces tag for agriculture education

**ATLANTA-** Sen. Greg Goggans (R-Douglas) today introduced legislation that will create a new license plate for Georgia Agriculture. The proceeds from the sale of the tag will go to benefit the 4-H and Future Farmers of America (FFA) programs. Sen. Goggans was joined by Sen. John Bulloch (R-Ochlocknee), chairman of the Senate Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Committee and Sen. Brian Kemp (R-Athens), chairman of the Senate Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee, to announce the new tag and reveal its design.

"We want to make sure that all Georgians recognize how important agriculture, agribusiness and agriculture education are to this state," said Goggans. "It is my hope that when drivers see this tag on the highway they will be reminded of the hard work that goes into putting food on our tables."



Ten dollars of the \$25 fee for the specialty tag will go to fund the Georgia 4-H and FFA programs in the form of grants, which the two groups will compete with one another to receive. Under Georgia law, specialty tags must be introduced as a Constitutional Amendment in order to designate the funds

to a specific program. If passed by the General Assembly, voters will have to approve the tag during the November election in order for the tag to go into effect.

"It is important that we continue to fund the great work that is being done by 4-H and FFA in this state," said Sen. Kemp. "With the advancement of technology, there is new frontier of agricultural careers to be conquered. These funds will help agriculture education programs meet the challenge. I encourage Georgians to show their support for these young people and proudly display one of these new agriculture tags."



Sen. Greg Goggans (R-Douglas) is joined by Sen. Brian Kemp (R-Athens), Sen. John Bulloch (R-Ochlocknee) and representatives of the Georgia 4-H and FFA programs to unveil the proposed license plate to benefit agriculture education.

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